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Atty. Docket No. 036481-0121

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant:

Charles POTTER et al.

Title:

SYRINGE AND CAPSULE

THEREFOR

Appl. No.:

09/462,218

Appl. Filing Date:

05/22/2000

Examiner:

Kevin C. Sirmons

Art Unit:

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

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a. Previously submitted:

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Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on ___.

[] Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on __ but not considered.

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[]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37
	C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
[]	Other
b. End	closed are:
[X]	Amendment/Reply.
[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
[]	Information Disclosure Statement.
[]	Form PTO-1449 with copies of listed reference(s).
[]	Other.

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$770.00	=	\$770.00
Total Claims:	25	-	25	= 0		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	3	-	3	= 0		x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	f any	/ Multiple I	Depende	ent Claims:	+	\$290.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEE	TOTAL:	=	\$770.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	0	\$0.00			
[]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$420.00		\$0.00			
[]	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$950.00		\$0.00			
[]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,480.00		\$0.00			
[X]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,010.00		\$2,010.00			
	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:						
	EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:						
	EXTENSION FE	EE TOTAL	,	\$2,010.00			
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FE	E TOTAL:		\$2,780.00			
[]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract 1/2	of above):		\$0.00			
[]	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R.	§ 1.103(c)	•	\$0.00			
	TC	TAL FEE:		\$2,780.00			

- ·[] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of _____. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- [X] A check in the amount of \$2,780.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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Respectfully submitted,

Date 26 February

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